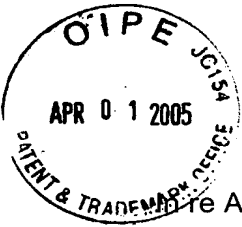


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Appn. of: Carol Gruchala

Appln. No.: 09/652,540

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For: METHOD, SYSTEM AND ARTICLE FOR
PROVIDING A FAMILY
COMMUNICATION SERVICE USING AN
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FREQUENCY TRIGGER

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

- Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (*check at least one of the following*):
- Previously submitted:
 - Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.
 - Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on March 2, 2005 (copy enclosed)
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - Other: _____
 - Attached is/are:
 - An Information Disclosure Statement
 - An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
 - New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability
 - Other: _____

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Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

Small Entity Status:

Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. _____ / _____ and such status is still proper and desired.

Is no longer desired.

Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

A suspension processing fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

An additional filing fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (_____) additional independent claims and/or _____ additional total claims).

An extension fee of \$120.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a one-month extension of time.

Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

Our checks in the amount of \$790.00 and \$120.00 are enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

A payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



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